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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)			ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 2240.0010001/MAC U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)		
CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371			10/552,986		
	TIONAL APPLICATION NO. CT/NO2003/000254	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 23 July 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 14 April 2003		
Method		of Product Units In a Tank, and A	Application Thereof		
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Applicant	herewith submits to the United Sta	ates Designated/Elected Office (DO/EC	O/US) the following items and other information:		
1. 🔲 .	This is a FIRST submission of items co	ncerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371			
2. 🗓 1	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.				
	This is an express request to begin nati (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.	onal examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 37	1(f)). The submission must include items		
4. 📙 ·	The US has been elected (Article 31).				
5.	A copy of the International Application	n as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))			
	a. is attached hereto (required	only if not communicated by the Internation	al Bureau).		
	b.  has been communicated by the International Bureau.				
	c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).				
6. 🗀	An English language translation of the	e International Application as filed (35 U.S.C	C. 371(c)(2)).		
	a. is attached hereto.				
	b. has been previously submit	tted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).			
7.	Amendments to the claims of the Inte	mational Application under PCT Article 19 (	35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))		
	a. are attached hereto (requi	red only if not communicated by the Internat	ional Bureau).		
	b. have been communicated	by the International Bureau.			
	c. have not been made; how	ever, the time limit for making such amendm	nents has NOT expired.		
	d. have not been made and v	will not be made.			
8.	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).				
9. X	An oath or declaration of the inventor	(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).			
10.	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).				
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or Information included:					
11. X	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.				
12.	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.				
13. 🔲	A preliminary amendment.				
14. 🔲	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.				
15.	A substitute specification.				
16. X	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.				
17. 🔲	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.				
18. 🔲	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).				
19.	A second copy of the English language	ge translation of the international application	under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 15 minutes to complete, including gathering information, preparing, and submitting the completed form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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	20. Other items or information: 1. A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/E Form PTO/SB/08A citing nine (9) documents; 3. Copies of seven (7) of (9) documents cited on the 08A form; 4. One (1) page of Fodocument; 5. A copy of one (1) cited document cited on the 08B form; and 6. Return postcard.				ed Office (DO/EO/US); 2. Come (1) page of Form PTO/SE	one (1) page of 3/08B citing one (1)	
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L	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$360				\$		
Ļ	TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 65.00		
L	Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.						
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	Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).				\$		
	TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =			\$			
	Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +			\$			
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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/552,986

(Nat'l Phase of PCT/NO2003/00254; I.A. Filing Date: July 23, 2003)

Method and System for Tempering of Product Units In a Tank, and For:

**Application Thereof** 

Inventor:

Tor BREKKE

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2440.0010001/MAC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Submission Under 35 U.S.C. § 371;
- 2. Copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US);
- 3. Copy of Declaration for Patent Application, executed by inventor BREKKE;
- 4. Copy of Power of Attorney from Assignee;
- 5. Information Disclosure Statement;
- One (1) page of Form PTO/SB/08A citing nine (9) documents;
- Copies of seven (7) of the nine (9) documents cited on the 08A form;
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- 9. A copy of the one (1) documents cited on the 08B form;

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- 10. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$65.00 to cover: Declaration fee; and
- 11. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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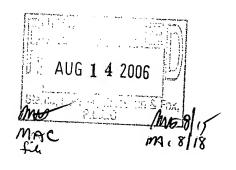
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- · Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 10/13/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 10/13/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 10/13/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 10/13/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 10/13/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 10/13/2005



The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

Declaration, Late oath/Decl Surcharge du October 9,2000 STAT BAR due March 92.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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